Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Earl H. Waterland was born on March 23, 1913, in Montana and later moved with his family to Hill City, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Earl was the second to the youngest of 13 children and was fortunate to be the first to graduate from high school; and,

Whereas, Earl lived and worked in the Hills area until he married in 1939, when they moved to California for 4 years to work during the war; and,

Whereas, Earl moved back to South Dakota in 1944, and in 1945 purchased a ranch in Meade County where he continues to reside; and

Whereas, Earl will observe his 90th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his friends and relatives gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 23, 2003, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all his many friends and relatives in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventeenth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State

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